

OPEN SESSION MINUTES

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The open session meeting of the Board of Psychology was called to order by Judith Janaro Fabian, Ph.D., President, at 10:05 a.m.. A quorum was present and due notice had been sent to interested parties.

Present were:

Judith Janaro Fabian, Ph.D., President
Martin Greenberg, Ph.D., Vice-President
Emil Rodolfa, Ph.D.
Linda Hee, Ph.D.
Pamela Harmell, Ph.D.
Marilyn Palarea
Mary Ellen Early
Mary McMillan

Others Present:

Dan Buntjer, Legal Counsel
Thomas O'Connor, Executive Officer
Suzanne Taylor, Enforcement Coordinator
Karen Johnson, Licensing/Examination Coordinator
Jeff Thomas, Special Projects Coordinator
Kathi Burns, Enforcement Analyst
Annette Brown, Business Services Technician

Agenda Item 1 - Approval of November 13, 1998 and November 14, 1998 Open Session Minutes

Tabled to March, 1999 board meeting.

Agenda Item 2 - Introduce New Board Members

Dr. Fabian formally introduced Pamela Harmell, Ph.D. as the newest licensed Board Member.

Agenda Item 3 - Elections

1. President

It was M(Dr. Greenberg)/S(Dr. Rodolfa)/C to elect Dr. Fabian as Board President.

VOTE: 8-0 Unanimous

2. Vice President

It was M(Dr. Rodolfa)/S(Ms. Palarea)/C to elect Dr. Greenberg as Board Vice President.

VOTE: 8-0 Unanimous

3. Secretary

It was M(Ms. Palarea)/S(Ms. Early)/C to re-elect Ms. McMillan as Board Secretary.

VOTE: 8-0 Unanimous

Agenda Item 4 - Credentials Committee

1. Bayer, Darryl, Ph.D. - Course Requirements

Dr. Hee reviewed Dr. Bayer's request for credit for the Human Sexuality course requirement based on her training and work at the Univ. Of Minnesota. The Credentials Committee is requesting staff to write her for additional detailed documentation.

Dr. Bayer had also requested credit for the Child Abuse Assessment and Reporting requirement based on her work, training and coursework. The Credentials Committee denied her request stating her experience did not cover the reporting law required in California and, therefore, was not accepted as fulfilling the course requirement.

It was M/(Dr. Hee)/S(Dr. Rodolfa)/C to deny Dr. Bayer's request.

VOTE: 8-0 Unanimous

2. Same Work Setting

Dr. Hee discussed amending policy #L-96-02 on "Same Work Setting"

to broaden it to include recognition and approval of APPIC and APA approved internships as meeting the requirements of section 1387 of the regulations. Dr. Hee reported that Dr. Rodolfa and Mr. O'Connor have been working on revisions to the supervision regulations and modifications to the "Same Work Setting" policy statement. Mr. O'Connor will provide those modifications at the next Board meeting.

Dr. Hee reported that a response needs to be sent to Dr. Sam Chan, Director of the Professional Services Center of CSPP-LA, which is an APA approved setting. Dr. Chan would like written approval of the school's internship program, The Children, Youth, and Family Services (CYFS). The Credentials Committee approved the CYFS Internship Program pursuant to section 1387 of the regulations and policy L-96-02 and the future revised regulations and policy. Staff has been instructed to write Dr. Chan regarding this matter.

3. Banford, Suzanne, Ph.D. - Question Re: Supervised Professional Experience

Dr. Hee reviewed Dr. Banford's letter asking if she can register her supervisees as psychological assistants and if the job duties meet the board's requirements for supervised experience. The Committee instructed staff to write Dr. Banford requesting further information and clarification on the supervision training experience. Specifically, the board's interested in the number of qualified supervisors, supervision availability and supervision back-up provisions.

4. Other Post-Agenda Items for Discussion

Dr. Hee reviewed Samantha Smithstein's request for an extension of the 30 consecutive month limit for completing pre-doctoral hours to 42 months due to the birth of her twins. The Family Leave Act allows a parent to take up to 3 months off to care for a new born. Dr. Smithstein missed a 12 month internship program, therefore, had to wait 12 months for the next program. The Credentials Committee approved Ms. Smithstein's request for an extension.

Dr. Hee reviewed Dr. Joanna Berenson's request for an extension to go beyond 60 consecutive months for completing her post-doctoral hours as she is undergoing treatment for cancer. The Credentials Committee approved Dr. Berenson's request based on written verification by her oncologist. Dr. Berenson must complete her post-doctoral hours by September 1999.

Dr. Hee reported that Dr. Grigoriy Shapirshteyn had his foreign degree evaluated again by Foreign Academic Credentials Service, Inc. (FACS). The Credentials Committee is requesting

clarification of the evaluation process and also requests a written statement from FACS that their definition of "comparable to a U.S. doctorate degree" does mean "equivalent to". The Board will not be able to approve a foreign degree that is "comparable" versus "equivalent".

Dr. Hee reported that Dr. Alan Thomas is supervising two psychological assistants at a company that provides (Employee Assistance Program) EAP services to federal law enforcement agencies and that he is asking if telephone crisis intervention qualifies for supervised hours towards licensure. The Board discussed this matter and noted that it would be a difficult area to supervise. The Credentials Committee asked staff to request further information on such areas as duties, supervision, etc.

Dr. Hee reviewed Dr. Stephanie Castle's equivalent degree evaluation. A review of the coursework was completed and it was determined that she has fulfilled all of the required core. The Credentials Committee approved Dr. Castle's degree as equivalent.

Agenda Item 5 - Examination Committee

1. Carpenter, Austin, Ph.D. - Request for Waiver of Oral Examination

Dr. Fabian reviewed Dr. Carpenter's request for a waiver of the Jurisprudence and Ethics Oral Licensing Examination. The Examination Committee recommended denying Dr. Carpenter's request.

It was M(Examination Committee)/C to deny Dr. Carpenter's request for waiver of the oral Jurisprudence and Ethic Oral Licensing Examination.

VOTE: 8-0 Unanimous

Agenda Item 6 - Legislation Committee

1. SB983 Summary

Mr. O'Connor reviewed Senate Bill 983, which was approved by the Legislature on September 24, 1998, the bill was signed into law by Governor Wilson. Effective January 1, 1999, this bill added sections 2914.2 and 2914.3 to the Psychology Licensing Law. This bill encourages all California licensed psychologist's to include quality courses in psychopharmacology and biological bases of behavior as part of their continuing education. The board encourages educational institutions offering doctoral programs which meet the psychology licensing requirements to include quality coursework and training in psychopharmacology and related topics including pharmacology and clinical pharmacology.

2. Guidelines Task Force

Mr. O'Connor reported the Board will work with the California Psychological Association and American Psychological Association to develop the training guidelines mandated by this new law, SB 983. Once the guidelines are completed, they will be posted on the board's web page.

Agenda Item 7 - Discussion Regarding Disciplinary Guidelines

Deferred until March, 1999 meeting.

Agenda Item 8 - Discussion Regarding Medication Statement

Deferred until March, 1999 meeting.

Agenda Item 9 - Other Post-Agenda Items for Discussion

None.

The Open Session meeting adjourned at 10:50 a.m. and convened into Closed Session.

The Board reconvened into Open Session at 1:05 p.m..

Agenda Item 10 - Boylan, Richard, Ph.D. - Petition for Reinstatement of Revoked License

Administrative Law Judge Cheryl R. Tompkin presided. Deputy Attorney General Jane Simon was present and represented the Board. Dr. Boylan was present and represented himself.

The Open Session meeting adjourned at 2:15 p.m. and convened into Closed Session.

Respectfully Submitted,

Judith Janaro Fabian, Ph.D.
President

Martin Greenberg, Ph.D.
Vice-President